



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

*WHEREAS, Alpha-1-Antitrypsin Deficiency is a serious genetic disorder association with liver disease in infants, children, and adults and is also associated with lung disease in young adults; and*

*WHEREAS, Alpha-1-Antitrypsin Deficiency is the most common genetic disease for which liver transplants are performed in newborns; and*

*WHEREAS, one in thirty-seven people carry the gene for Alpha-1-Antitrypsin Deficiency; and*

*WHEREAS, 80,000 to 100,000 U.S. citizens are estimated to have severe Alpha-1-Antitrypsin Deficiency; and*

*WHEREAS, Alpha-1-Antitrypsin Deficiency was only identified in 1963 and is misdiagnosed and under diagnosed; and*

*WHEREAS, a need has been identified to increase Awareness and Detection of this misdiagnosed and under diagnosed disorder;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of May 2005, to be*

**ALPHA-1 AWARENESS MONTH**

*in Idaho, and to continue and expand education and promote access to quality care and services for all people affected by Alpha-1.*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-seventh day of April in the year of our Lord two-thousand and five and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-ninth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fifteenth*

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE  
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Devin Isurua in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DEVIN ISURUA  
SECRETARY OF STATE